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- When God makes a **promise**, He always keeps it.
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 - **Heb. 10:23** “*Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. [23] Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)”*
- Where God guides, He **provides**.
 - **Ps. 81:10** “*I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.”*
 - **James 1:12** “*Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him. “*
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- A. Promise of Everlasting {quantity} life. **John 5:24** “*Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.*”
- B. Promise of Eternal {quality} life. **Rom. 6:22-3** “*But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. [23] For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*
- Living life in the flesh will produce the works of the flesh (death); living life by faith produces the fruit of the Spirit (eternal {a quality of life that never has end} life). **Mt. 6:19-21** “*Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: [20] But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: [21] For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.*”
- C. Promise of Enduring riches. **Ps 112:1-4** “*Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments. [2] His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed. [3] Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever. [4] Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.*”
- **Rom. 8:32** “*He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?*”

II. Just as God provided every need for the Israelites, God is seeking to provide your needs.

- A. Strength – **Heb. 12:3** “*For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.*”
- **Ps. 29:11** “*The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace.*”
- B. Comfort – **John 14:16-17** “*And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; [17] Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. [18] I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.*”
- C. Wisdom – **James 1:5-7** “*If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. [6] But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. [7] For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.*”

III. Just as God delivered Israel to increase their potential and productivity; God is to increase our potential and our productivity.

- A. God did not deliver us from sin with the intention of wanting us to living the rest of our lives **serv**ing sin.
Rom. 6:3-8 *“Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? [4] Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. [5] For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: [6] Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. [7] For he that is dead is freed from sin. [8] Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him.”*
- B. God did not deliver us from a life of sin with the intention us living as close to **sin** as possible.
II Cor. 6:14-18 *“Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? [15] And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? [16] And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. [17] Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, [18] And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.”*
- C. God did not deliver you from sin with the intention of you producing the works of the **flesh**; He intended you to produce the fruit of the **Spirit**. {Gal. 5}. **John 15:2-5** *“Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. [3] Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. [4] Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. [5] I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.”*

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